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<TEXT>Please reject a flat fee proposal that would change how
contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make
few long distance calls would pay the same as people or
businesses that make many calls I live below the poverty line,
and cannot bear the burden of more tax to support businesses
which are already thriving.

Those who choose prepaid telephone services, like Tracfone, are
generally people of low to moderate income. I use my wireless
phone only occasionally, for safety, security and convenience. I
don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay
less. Reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a
flat-fee.

Sincerely,

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